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**REISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION BY THE INVENTOR**

As the below named inventors, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe that I am the original, first inventor of the subject matter which is described and claimed in United State Patent number 5,848,492 issued on December 15, 1998 for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled **AGRICULTURAL METHODS WITH SUPERHEATED STEAM**, the specification of which was filed by an authorized person on my behalf on December 15, 2000, and which has be assigned a Serial Number of 09/735,186.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by the Preliminary Amendment which was filed by an authorized person on my behalf on December 15, 2000.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than patentee had a right to claim in the patent.

At least one error upon which reissue is based is that the applicant had claimed less than

he was entitled to claim.

All errors corrected in this reissue application arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicants.

I hereby state that the U. S. Patent 5,848,492 has not been assigned by other parties.

I hereby offer to surrender the original of U. S. Patent 5,848,492 before the reissue application is allowed.

As the named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorneys and patent agents, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith and request that all correspondence and telephone calls in respect to this application be directed to COUDERT BROTHERS, 4 Embarcadero Center, Suite 3300, San Francisco, CA 94111, Telephone No. (415) 986-1300:

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